



Ellanor C. Lawrence Park  
**AMERICAN INDIANS OF FAIRFAX COUNTY**  
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Teacher's Outline  
Grade 2-5

This is a basic outline of "America Indians of Fairfax County" at Ellanor C. Lawrence Park. The specifics may vary according to the needs of the group, the weather and unforeseen situations.

Time: 1 hour (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade program is 1.5 hours)

1. Introduction to the American Indians in Fairfax County from 10,000 B.C. to A.D. 1607.
  - A. Major climate and environment changes, subsistence changes and technology will be discussed.
  - B. Real and replica artifacts will be displayed and discussed.
  - C. Replica clothing will be demonstrated.
2. Wild plant hike and hunting strategies.
  - A. Hike on a forest trail to discuss local plants and trees Algonquian Indians would have used for goods and food. (4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade only.) Other grades we will look into the woods.
  - B. Pretend deer hunt will be acted out by children to show one hunting method used by American Indians.
3. Activities performed by American Indian children.
  - A. Food preparation with corn.
  - B. Children will act as living "scarecrows" by practicing skills to keep pretend animals away from gardens.
  - C. Throw corn darts through wild grape vine, made into a circle, hanging on a tree.
4. Questions and conclusion.